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Beaman et al.

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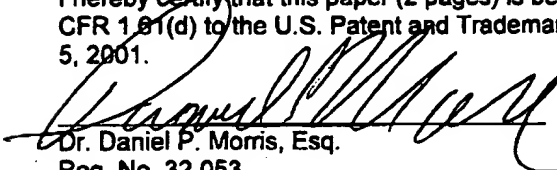
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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FINAL REJECTION

In response to Office Action dated July 31, 2001, please consider the following:

REMARKS

Claims 42-52 have been rejected in the referenced Office Action and in the prior
office action under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. In regards to the Examiner's
reference to the language "is interrelated and associated with the first substrate". This
language is not in claim 45.

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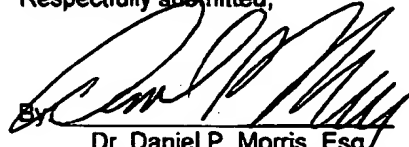
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Claims 30-51 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Bove et al. In the prior office action claims 33, 34, 36, 37, 42, 43, 47-49 and 52 were not rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Bove et al. These claims were written in independent form in Applicants' response dated May 7, 2001. The Examiner for the first time rejects these claims as anticipated by Bove et al. At page 4 of Office Action, the Examiner states that new grounds for rejection have been introduced. Thus, this final rejection is improper and Applicants respectfully request that it be withdrawn and changed to a non-final office action or that the rejection of claims 33, 34, 36, 37, 42, 43, 47-49 and 52 under 35 USC 102(b) as anticipated by Bove be withdrawn.

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